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Dear Sir:

Applicants have received and reviewed the Office Action dated April 26, 2006. In response, Applicants provide the following election of species and remarks.

In response to a Restriction Requirement, Applicants elected the claims of Group I (claim 1-6) and added claims 18-22, which also are in Group I. In response to a previous Species Election Requirement Applicants elected H as a species of X, NHCOR1 as a species of R, and 2 for a value of m.

The present Office Action asserts that the present application relates to patentably distinct species of a core structure common to all members of the claimed combinatorial library. The Office Action also asserts that selecting a species of this core structure includes identifying a nucleoside monomer, a spacer monomer, a cap monomer, and all of the bonds between these groups. Further, the Office Action asserts that the present application relates to distinct species of X and R in each of claims 19-22. Without acquiescing to these assertions, Applicant provides the following complete response to this species election requirement.

First, Applicant respectfully traverses and requests withdrawal of this species election requirement. Applicant respectfully submits that the inventive concept is independent of any particular core structure. Further, Applicant respectfully submits that the presently claimed